

IN THE SPECIFICATION

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[0003] Existing MPLS Fast Re-routing techniques are effective in re-routing MPLS labeled traffic in an LSP acting independently relative to other LSPs. However, when LSPs are bundled together to operate in two directions, such as in bi-directional LSPs disclosed in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/613,104, MPLS Fast Re-routing does not perform well.